MINUTES

TOWN OF LOUISVILLE Board of Mayor and Aldermen

February 11, 2014 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Bickers, Vice Mayor Gormley, Alderman Smith, Alderman Holley, Alderman Pugh

Absent: None

Others Present: Town Attorney David Buuck, Accountants Don and Julie Teffeteller and eight

citizens

Mayor Bickers called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Mayor Bickers led the opening prayer.

Two Boy Scouts from St. Marks led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

MOTION by Pugh to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2014 meeting of the BMA. Second by Holley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Citizens Comments: Bruce Icenhower commented about his street being missed during the recent snow removal activities. Also, another citizen commented about issues on Mentor Road after the same snow event.

Mayor's Report and the Monthly Financial Report: Financial report for month ending January 31 was reviewed.

As of 1/31/2014 \$1, 793,501.09

MOTION by Smith to accept the January monthly financial report. Second by Gormley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Mayor Bickers reported on the health status of Stanley Burchfield, Poland Creek Campground Manager. Stanley is still recovering from a serious stroke. Stanley's son Len is currently filling

in for him. Len is willing to continue as the campground manager in the interim until Stanley's health improves.

Mayor Bickers commented on the success of the Wild Game Dinner held at Town Hall on February 01, 2014. Congratulations to Raymond Cantrell for a very successful and entertaining event. Over 150 people attended this annual event.

Mayor Bickers reminded everyone that the annual Louisville Cleanup event will be held on Saturday, March 29, 2014. All volunteers will assemble at the Town Hall at 8:30 AM for assignments. All cleanup activities will conclude at the Town Hall at noon. Food will be served in appreciation for the volunteer efforts.

Mayor Bickers reported that another Stewards of Children event will be held at the Town Hall on April 28, 5 -7 PM.

Mayor Bickers announced that MTAS is offering an Elected Officials Academy, Level I on April 21 & 22 at the Tazewell 911 Center. This training is available for members of the BMA. This training provides a basic overview of local government finance.

Mayor Bickers announced that Barry Loope has been hired by the Town. Mr. Loope will focus on equipment maintenance for the Town.

Mayor Bickers announced that Middlesettlements Elementary School will have a textbook celebration and donor recognition event. This event will be held at the school on February 21 @ 1:30 PM to celebrate the success of the fund raiser to purchase textbooks for the school.

Mayor Bickers reported that the Town has hired Allevia Technology to provide a new structure for the Town website. Allevia will also provide ongoing management and updating of the website. Allevia will also convert the Town email to an Exchange format.

Resolutions and Ordinances:

A Ordinance of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Louisville, Tennessee

Amending the Louisville Zoning Ordinance Concerning Internally Illuminated Signs. [Second Reading]

MOTION by Bickers to approve the ordinance as proposed. Second by Gormley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Ordinance 2014-02 Passes

Other Action Items:

Status Report on the Purchase of Adjoining Propertye

Mayor Bickers commented that the contract is in place and is awaiting signing by both parties.

Status Report on installation of additional fire hydrants

Evaluation ongoing. Mayor Bickers intends to discuss with Blount County Fire District to pursue possible cost sharing.

<u>Status – of Flag Court/Sign Project</u>

No new action on this item. Plan is for bids to go out in March 2014 in order to start in the spring.

Board and Committee Appointments:

Beer Board: Mayor Bickers nominated Vince Neeley to serve on the Beer Board.

MOTION by Bickers to approve the nominations of Vince Neeley to the Beer Board. Second by Smith. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Announcements/Comments from Individual Aldermen:

Mayor Bickers announced that he will be absent for the March 11 BMA meeting due to a business conflict. Vice Mayor Gormley will preside over that meeting.

Mayor Bickers reminded the aldermen that a BMA workshop is scheduled for March 04, 11:00 AM at the Town Hall. The objective is to continue discussion and development of the vision for the future of the Town. The meeting is open to the public for listening to the discussion.

MOTION by Holley to adjourn; Second by Smith. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:34 p.m.	VOTE: UNANIMOUS.
Mayor	Town Recorder